

1 Rule 6.4. Law Reform Activities Affecting Client Interests.

2 A lawyer may serve as a director, officer or member of an organization involved in
3 reform of the law or its administration notwithstanding that the reform may affect the
4 interests of a client of the lawyer. When the lawyer knows that the interests of a client
5 may be materially benefitted by a decision in which the lawyer participates, the lawyer
6 shall disclose that fact but need not identify the client.

7 Comment

8 [\[1\]](#) Lawyers involved in organizations seeking law reform generally do not have a
9 client-lawyer relationship with the organization. Otherwise, it might follow that a lawyer
10 could not be involved in a bar association law reform program that might indirectly affect
11 a client. For example, a lawyer specializing in antitrust litigation might be regarded as
12 disqualified from participating in drafting revisions of rules governing that subject. In
13 determining the nature and scope of participation in such activities, a lawyer should be
14 mindful of obligations to clients under other [Rules](#), particularly Rule 1.7. A lawyer is
15 professionally obligated to protect the integrity of the program by making an appropriate
16 disclosure within the organization when the lawyer knows a private client might be
17 materially benefitted.

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